

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

PALMETTO SCHOLARS ACADEMY
SC Public Charter School
Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 193**
Principal: Em Hubbaed
Superintendent: Dr. Wayne Brazell
Board Chair: Don McLaurin

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2011	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2010	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2009	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

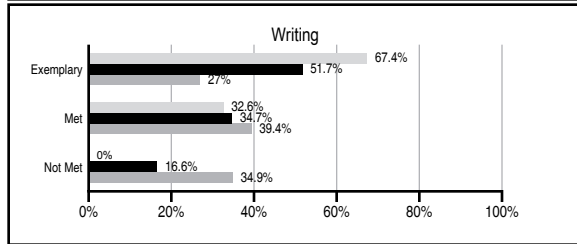
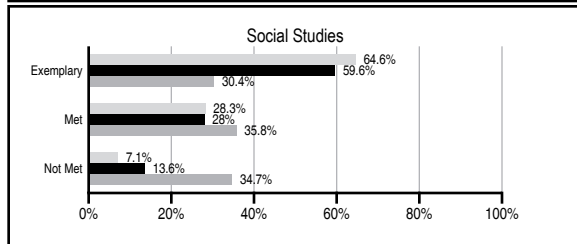
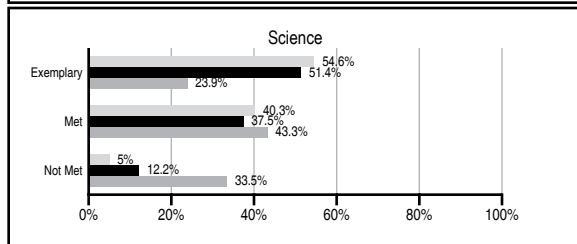
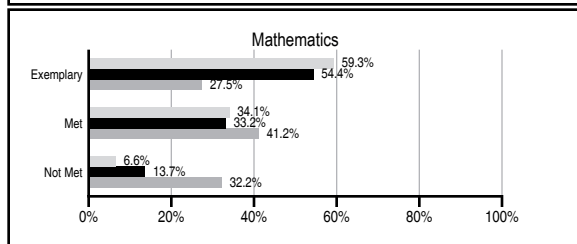
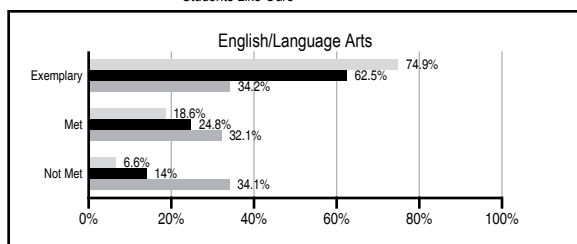
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
10	1	0	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 11/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

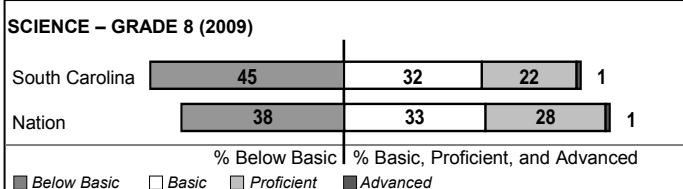
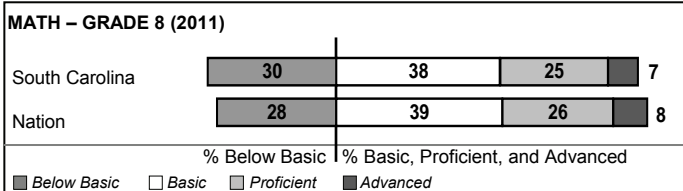
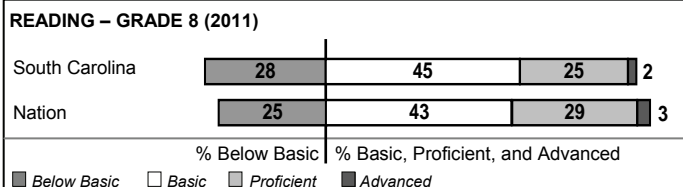
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2011

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	100.0
English 1	100.0	99.5
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	N/A	N/A
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	99.8

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=193)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	50.4%	N/R	31.0%	24.5%
Retention rate	0.0%	N/A	0.2%	0.7%
Attendance rate	96.0%	N/A	96.0%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	62.2%	N/A	34.9%	17.8%
With disabilities other than speech	0.0%	N/A	4.6%	9.2%
Older than usual for grade	0.0%	N/A	0.5%	1.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.5%	N/R	0.5%	0.4%
Annual dropout rate	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=11)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	81.8%	N/A	62.7%	60.0%
Continuing contract teachers	54.5%	N/A	88.1%	82.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	89.5%	85.6%
Teacher attendance rate	99.1%	N/R	95.3%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$39,738	I/S	\$48,681	\$46,300
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	62.7%	N/A	0.0%	1.2%
Professional development days/teacher	3.1 days	N/R	8.8 days	9.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	N/R	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	22.6 to 1	N/R	23.3 to 1	21.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	94.3%	N/R	91.1%	90.1%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/R	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	No	N/R	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	18.5%	N/R	97.1%	98.1%
Character development program	Below Average	N/R	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	N/A	N/A	\$6,605	\$7,634
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	N/A	N/A	68.2%	64.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	N/A	N/A	67.0%	61.2%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		90.5%	80.5%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	8	43	17
Percent satisfied with learning environment	75.0%	65.1%	75.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	72.1%	70.6%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	87.5%	81.4%	64.7%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Palmetto Scholars Academy provides a differentiated program designed to meet the educational needs of intellectually gifted learners, address their distinctive social and emotional needs, promote individual character development and instill a life-long love of learning. Our students engage with leading innovative organizations in higher education, business and science, to empower them to make original and impactful contributions toward the elevation of South Carolina in the areas of education, commerce, arts and science.

School successfully opened on August 18, 2010. Students participated in the SCPCSD Science Fair and won 25 ribbons and two first places. A student took second place in the Charleston County Spelling Bee, and she is the alternate speller for South Carolina for the National Spelling Bee. Six students made the Charleston County All-County Chorus. Two students were named All-Region Band members.

All of the students who took the End of Course test in Algebra 1 passed, with 48% making a grade of 100. The numerical average for all students was a grade of 95.5. End of Course test results in English 1 were equally dynamic. 44% of the students scored a 100, and 78% made an A. The lowest recorded grade was an 87.

J. Robb Streeter
Principal

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